



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
MECHANICALLY EMBOSSING A)
SURFACE COVERING)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2003. A request for a month extension of time, to February 17, 2004, is included in the transmittal letter, filed herewith. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing the changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 17 of this paper.